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USSR BEARING PLANTS AID AGRICULTURE

BEARING PLANT MAKES FORMS FOR CONCRETE PIPES, AIDS MTS -- Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 3 Sep 53

The machinery and repair shop of the Moscow First State Bearing Plant imeni L. M. Kaganovich is making metal forms for centrifugal molding of concrete pipes. The forms are almost 5 meters long, and hence the largest items the shop has ever worked on.

Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 19 Sep 53

The Moscow First State Bearing Plant has exceeded its plan for supplying bearings for tractors, combines, agricultural machines, and trucks serving kolkhozes and MTS for the first 8 months of 1953. The plant is now emphasizing production of bearings for heavy crawler tractors.

The experimental and installation shop is making hay stacker disks for the Lyubertsy Agricultural Machine Building Plant imeni Ukhtomskiy.

The machinery and repair shop has overhauled 12 of the plant's screw-cutting lathes for shipment to MTS of Kalininskaya Oblast.

The plant's packaging shop made 160 forms for hot frames in 4 days. The shop makes metal structures for hot frames for the Kolkhoz imeni Stalin (Lukhovitskiy Rayon). It also loaned the kolkhoz a bulldozer and work brigades for constructing hothouses.

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BEARINGS FOR FARM MACHINES -- Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 24 Sep 53

The Moscow Second State Bearing Plant produces hundreds of thousands of bearings for agricultural machines monthly.

In the first 8 months of 1953, the plant turned out 1,843,000 rubles worth of above-plan production.

BEARING PLANT REDUCES TOOL CONSUMPTION -- Na Peredovom Zavode, Moscow, Profizdat, 1952

In 1949, the Moscow Second State Bearing Plant started operating at a profit for the first time in its history. By reducing production costs 11 percent, the plant was able to turn over 25 million rubles of profit to the state.

Without additional capital investment, with the same number of workers, and the same amount of production area, the plant doubled its output of ball bearings \int in a period of 2-3 years/.

The plant reduced its consumption of cutting tools and oil fur below the figures set by the norm:

Materials Consumed in Machining 25,000 Bearing Rings

Material /	Consumption Norm (Number of tools)	Actual Consumption (Number of tools)
Cutting-off tools	47	10
Grooving tools	17	10
Form tools	5	1
Reamers	7	1
Oil	500 kg	420 kg

FULFILLS PLAN EARLY -- Moscow, Moskovskaya Pravda, 25 Sep 53

The Moscow Bearing Repair Lant (Cenkin, director) has fulfilled its plan for the first 9 months of 1953 12 days ahead of schedule.

BEARING REPAIR PLANT CUTS COST3 -- Minsk, Sovetskaya Belorussiya, 25 Aug 53

The Gomel' Bearing Repair Plant fulfilled its gross-production plan for the first 6 months of 1953 by 104 percent and its commodity output plan by 104.8 percent. Labor productivity in this same period was 104.2 percent of the plan figure. In the first 7 months of 1953, the plant made 328,000 rubles' profit above the plan and saved 72,000 kilowatt-hours of electric power. In the second quarter 1953, the plant won second prize in a competition among enterprises of the Ministry of Machine Building USSR. In the first 6 months of 1953, the plant lowered production costs 11.2 percent as compared with the plan figure of 7.6 percent.

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For a long time, worn-out No 506 bearings (TsKB-509) used in the transmission of the SKMTZ tractor were piling up at the plant because of a shortage of repair parts, especially rollers. Finally, the plant organized production of the needed rollers, and used substitutes for materials that were in short supply. Now the plant is preparing to repair No 508 bearings.

The ball shop is turning out defective bells, and overconsuming abrasives and diesel fuel. The production cost of balls considerably exceeds the selling price.

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